

External Update at 9:30 AM on December 13, 2010...

Regional Coordinators...Please forward to your towns.

#### STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER – MONITORING

Good Morning,

The major storm system that delivered 1 – 3 inches of rain to Connecticut during the past 36 hours is currently located in upstate NY and is forecast to move into Southeastern Canada by tonight. Cold air wrapping around this storm will filter into Connecticut during the day and lake effect snow showers can be expected in some towns tonight as temperatures continue to drop and NW winds pick up. Arctic air wrapping around this storm is forecast to bring very cold and blustery weather to our area through the end of this week.

**Today:** Temperatures falling from the upper 40's this morning into the 30's by the evening rush hour. Daytime sunshine should delay the cooling just enough to keep roads either dry or just wet for most of the afternoon rush hour.

**Tonight:** Temperatures will drop below freezing and some black ice is forecast to form overnight as a result of splashover from standing water and also from any snow showers that move through the state. Temperatures are forecast to drop into the low 20's by daybreak on Tuesday.

**Tuesday – Friday:** Cold and blustery with highs in the 20's and overnight lows in the lower teens. Wind chills may drop below zero at times as winds gust to 25 – 35 MPH at times. For a detailed temperature and wind chill forecast please visit our website at <http://www.ct.gov/demhs/cwp/view.asp?a=1933&Q=469738&PM=1>

The Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security will provide another update on the cold outbreak on our website Wednesday morning at 9:00 AM.

Sincerely,

Douglas Glowacki